

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-17 (withdrawn)

18. (currently amended) A liquid-bearing domestic appliance comprising a dishwasher with a rinsing tub, the appliance comprising a sieve system (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3) and/or a filter (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3), which is provided with at least one consumable antibiotic agent at or adjacent to at least one surface of the sieve system and/or filter,

wherein the consumable antibiotic agent is provided inside an area of the liquid-bearing domestic appliance exposed to a rinsing liquid and which contains stagnant water after drainage, including inside a sump (3), an outlet (4) and/or an outlet tube (6),

the appliance further comprising a replaceable component (8) with an enlarged surface area and which comprises said at least one consumable antibiotic agent inside or on ~~its~~ said enlarged surface area, and

~~which~~ wherein the replaceable component (8) can be fixed replaceably inside the sump, outlet, and/or outlet tube of the liquid-bearing domestic appliance to be periodically replaced as said at least one consumable antibiotic agent is consumed over time via exposure to the rinsing liquid and/or stagnant water.

19. (cancelled)

20. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the at least one antibiotic agent comprises at least part of a surface of the sieve system or filter (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3), wherein the antibiotic agent is a foil and/or a co-extruded or co-laminated layer and/or a fabric and/or a synthetic resin and/or a paint and/or a varnish and/or a lacquer.

21. (cancelled)

22. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the at least one anti-biotic agent comprises at least one bacteriostatic and/or at least one bacteriocidal and/or at least one fungicidal and/or at least one anti-algal substance.

23. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 22, wherein the antibiotic agent comprises at least one of the elements silver or copper or zinc or mercury or tin or lead or bismuth or cadmium or chromium or thallium, and/or at least one of the ions thereof.

24. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 22, wherein the antibiotic agent comprises a ceramic matrix, a natural zeolite matrix and/or synthetic zeolite matrix, bearing the at least one bacteriostatic and/or at least one bacteriocidal and/or at least one fungicidal and/or at least one anti-algal substance, wherein the antibiotic agent comprises a ceramic matrix comprising silver and/or silver ions.

25. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the sieve system (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3) and/or a filter (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3) is located below the rinsing tub.

26. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the replaceable component (8) is fixed replaceably by at least one fixation means that is releasably inserted into a corresponding fixation opening of the sieve system (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3) and/or filter (3, 7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3).

27. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 26, wherein the replaceable component (8) comprises at least one arm carrying the fixation means.

28. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 26, wherein said at least one arm carries the fixation means at an end of said at least one arm.

29. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 26, wherein said at least one arm carries the fixation means at a location spaced apart from an end of said at least one arm.

30. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 26, wherein the replaceable component (8) comprises a plurality of arms each carrying fixation means.

31. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the replaceable component (8) carrying the at least one antibiotic agent is provided inside an area of the liquid-bearing domestic appliance that is spaced apart from the rinsing tub.

32. (previously presented) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the replaceable component (8) has the shape of a disk and is adapted to be accommodated between a bottom of the filter and a bottom of the sump, such that washing liquid can pass above and below the replaceable component (8).

33. (new) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein the replaceable component (8) can be replaced when said at least one consumable antibiotic agent is reduced to an amount that is insufficient to inhibit bacterial growth in the sump, outlet, and/or outlet tube of the liquid-bearing domestic appliance.

34. (new) The liquid-bearing domestic appliance according to claim 18, wherein said replaceable component (8) comprises said at least one consumable antibiotic agent as a layer on said enlarged surface area.